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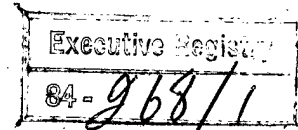
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The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505



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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Foreign Language Committee

SUBJECT: Community Linguist Pool [redacted]

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum to the DCI, Same Subject  
[redacted] 9 December 1983)

1. Thank you for your thorough assessment of the feasibility of creating an Intelligence Community pool of linguists for surge requirements. Tapping the linguistic ability of Community annuitants or reservists is certainly one useful avenue to explore. [redacted]

2. I would like the Foreign Language Committee to be the focal point for this effort. The Committee should:

-- serve as the Community repository for details on the ability of Community elements to augment on a surge basis their respective active duty corps of linguists;

-- keep the DCI apprised of the Community's continued overall ability to respond to emergency situations requiring such augmentation; and

-- provide a Community forum for addressing issues pertaining to interagency linguistic support. Occasionally, you may also be asked to coordinate Community responses to particular linguistic needs. [redacted]

3. The first task the Committee should undertake is to create an inventory of linguistic resources available to the Community but not currently employed. Specifically, we need to know the variety and level of supplemental linguistic support we could presently muster if required, the extent to which security or other considerations would hinder employment of this cadre, and what would be required to improve its flexibility. You should then tackle the longer-term question of how best to fill the gaps in this nucleus and maintain appropriate skill levels. Your Committee members should be able to keep you abreast of the individual efforts already underway in the Community to develop reserve pools of linguists tailored to their individual needs. Defense efforts to update pertinent DoD data bases with current language proficiency test results should, of course, be encouraged. [redacted]

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4. Because you will be breaking new ground in this undertaking, I would appreciate your providing me within the next few weeks an outline of your approach to the problem and your estimate of any difficulties you anticipate that may require resolution by the DCI or myself. With such an outline in hand, we will be in a better position to address the question of the ~~amount and type of support the Committee might need in order to~~ proceed. [redacted]

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orally at some Tuesday  
morning ICS meeting  
with me*  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director  
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: Feasibility of Creating a Community Language Reserve

It seems to me we can easily implement this language reserve along the lines you suggest. Make a push to bring a significant number of annuitants with language capability into the inactive reserve, add to the FBIS roster, get the Foreign Language Committee a couple of people, encourage and support and get inventory of the language skills of the Uniformed Services. Have a nucleus on which you can build slowly and fill in the gaps. Do the best we can as the thing develops to provide language maintenance opportunities but don't hold everything while that's being done.

If you have any problems on marching ahead on this, let me know.



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NOTE FOR THE DDCL  
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- 25X1 25X1 • Tapping linguistic ability in annuitants or other potential reservists makes all kinds of sense. Linguistic requirements, as well as operational/other, were included in our structuring of a CIA Reserve Cadre. Thus, both NSA [redacted] para. 2) and CIA have linguistic reserve programs, the latter drawing also on the JPRS pool.
- 25X1 • As [redacted] para. 3 indicates, the Services have records of their Reservist's language skills and a proposal to update their data base with current language proficiency test results. This should be encouraged.
- I would think that the most productive and least bureaucratic results could come from these several components completing action on their individual programs.
- 25X1 25X1 • I would also think that, without having to add Staff, the Foreign Language Committee could serve, when necessary, as an informed switchboard. (Some across-Agency cooperative examples: Air Force detailees to [redacted] to exploit technical materials; recent DDO proposal to have DO annuitants assist in [redacted] where Services lacked linguistic talent; [redacted] [redacted])

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